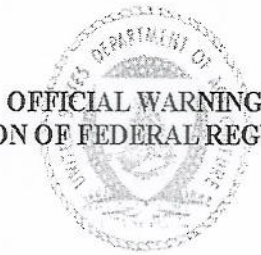


UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE



OFFICIAL WARNING
VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

CASE NUMBER:

VIOLATOR:

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about **August 21, 2013, August 2, 2013, May 10, 2013 and January 20, 2012**, you or your organization committed violations of the following sections of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 9:

2.40(b)(2) Attending Veterinarian and Adequate Veterinary Care....DIRECT....

failure to establish and maintain programs of veterinarian care that use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries

3.1 (a) Housing Facilities, General....repeated failure to design and construct housing facilities for dogs so they are structurally sound and kept in good repair to protect the animals from injury, contain the animals securely

3.1(c)(1)(ii) Housing Facilities, General....DIRECT....failure to maintain surfaces free of jagged edges and sharp points that might injure the animals

3.6(a)(2)(x) Primary enclosures....repeated failure to properly construct and maintain all surfaces such that the floors of the primary enclosures protect the animals' feet and legs from injury and do not allow the animals' feet to pass through any openings in the floor

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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